



## 2017 Maverick Graphic Novel Reading List

Recommended reading list for students in grades 6-12 including popular young adult books selected by public and school librarians in Texas.

Reading List for Grades 6-8	
Author	Title, Call Number & Brief Description
Camper, Cathy	<a href="#">Lowriders to the Center of the Earth</a> <b>J CAMPER</b> Lupe Impala and the gang are back together in this new adventure. They must travel to the center of the Earth to challenge the Aztec god of the Underworld to save their cat who happens to have a few tricks of his own.
Gardner, Matt	<b>Alabaster Shadows</b> <a href="#">Interlibrary Loan</a> Carter Normandy moves to a neighborhood where things are...not right. With his new friends, he discovers a world full of terrifying monsters living alongside his own.
Hosoda, Mamoru	<b>The Boy &amp; the Beast Vol. 1</b> <a href="#">Interlibrary Loan</a> Young Ren is homeless, living on the streets on Tokyo, when he stumbles into a hidden world ruled by intelligent beasts.
Orchard, Eric	<a href="#">Bera the One-Headed Troll</a> <b>J ORCHARD</b> Bera lives a solitary life, tending her pumpkin patch. One day her life is turned upside down when she saves a human baby. Now she's on a quest to return the baby home.
Telgemeier, Raina	<a href="#">Ghosts</a> <b>J TELGEMEIER</b> Young Maya has cystic fibrosis so she and her family move to Bahia de la Luna because of the better climate. Cat, Maya's older sister, isn't happy with the move but wants what is best for her sister. Bahia de la Luna brings new experiences as Cat and Maya meet new friends and encounter ghosts
Reading List for Grades 6-12	
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Cliff, Tony	<a href="#">Delilah Dirk and the King's Shilling</a> <b>YA F CLIFF</b> A traitorous British soldier threatens Delilah's good reputation; she pursues him back, back to England, bent on his downfall. England does not welcome her back, and with redcoats chasing her, she is forced to take refuge with her privileged family.
Flore, Madeleine	<a href="#">Help Us Great Warrior!</a> <b>J FLORES</b> When the Demons from Demonside, led by the fearsome Demon King, start pouring through a newly opened dimensional portal, only one warrior is brave, strong, and powerful enough to stop them: Great Warrior! Unfortunately, she already has plans for the day. Can Great Warrior be persuaded by her friends to act in time?

Haggerty, Ben	<a href="#"><u>Mezolith</u></a> <b>Available on Hoopla</b> 10,000 years ago, the Kansa tribe lives on the eastern shores Britain. Each season brings new adventures and dangers, each hunt has its risks, and each grim encounter with the neighboring tribe is fraught with threat. Poika must trust the wisdom of his elders and endure life's rites of passage as he finds his place in the tribe.
Hale, Nathan	<a href="#"><u>Nathan Hale's Hazardous Tales: Alamo All-Stars</u></a> <b>J HALE</b> Nathan Hale and friends (and executioners) take us through the events leading up to, during and after the battle at the Alamo.
Hicks, Faith Erin	<a href="#"><u>The Nameless City</u></a> <b>J HICKS V.1</b> The City has been invaded and renamed so many times it is now just The Nameless City to its inhabitants. Kaidu is an outsider, one of the latest invaders. Rat, a Nameless City native. The two become unlikely friends.
Houser, Jody	<a href="#"><u>Faith: Hollywood and Vine</u></a> <b>741.59 HOU</b> Faith is on her own. A psiote recently split from her superhero crew, she is looking to carve a new place for herself. That includes a new job and a new alter-ego.
Humphries, Sam	<a href="#"><u>Jonesy</u></a> <b>Available on Hoopla</b> Jonesy has a secret. She may not look like it, but she has the powers of Cupid. That's right, she can make anyone fall in love with anyone (or anything). Anyone, that is, but herself.
King, Stacy	<b>Sense and Sensibility</b> <a href="#"><u>Interlibrary Loan</u></a> A graphic novel adaptation of Jane Austen's novel "Sense and Sensibility" in which two sisters of opposing temperaments share the pangs of tragic love. Their mutual suffering brings a closer understanding between the sisters, and true love finally triumphs.
Larson, Hope	<b>Compass South</b> <a href="#"><u>Interlibrary Loan</u></a> It's 1860 and twins Alexander and Cleo are on the run from Black Hook Gang. On their way to New Orleans they become separated and attempt to find their way back to each other in San Francisco all while being pursued by pirates who believe they are in possession of a key to a treasure.
Larson, Hope	<a href="#"><u>Goldie Vance</u></a> <b>Available on Hoopla</b> Goldie Vance, a hotel detective hopeful, is on the case! When the detective at the hotel her dad manages is stumped, he offers to mentor her for her help in solving a mystery.
Lee, Stan	<a href="#"><u>Amazing, Fantastic, Incredible: A Marvelous Memoir</u></a> <b>741.597 LEE</b> A graphic/illustrated biography of the genius behind most of Marvel's greatest superheroes.

<b>Leth, Kate</b>	<p><b><a href="#">Power Up</a></b>  <b>F LETH</b>  Power Up is the story of the most unlikely people (and goldfish) taking on the roles of Magical Girls, whether they want it or not.</p>
<b>Lewis, John</b>	<p><b>March: Book Three</b>  <b><a href="#">Interlibrary Loan</a></b>  The groundbreaking graphic novel memoir of a living legend of the civil rights movement.</p>
<b>Martinetti, Anne</b>	<p><b>Agatha: The Real Life of Agatha Christie</b>  <b><a href="#">Interlibrary Loan</a></b>  The graphic biography reveals an Agatha tormented by the ghost of Hercule Poirot, whom the authors utilize to give voice to her self-doubts and critics, painting the picture of a pioneering 20<sup>th</sup> century female mystery writer struggling with unfaithful husbands, dividing her time as a mother, and traveling the world with inspiration around every corner.</p>
<b>Merritt, Kory</b>	<p><b>The Dreadful Fate of Jonathan York: A Yarn for the Strange at Heart</b>  <b><a href="#">Interlibrary Loan</a></b>  Quiet, mild-mannered Jonathan York decides to take a shortcut one afternoon. What follows is a creepy night in the swamp.</p>
<b>North, Ryan</b>	<p><b><a href="#">The Unbeatable Squirrel Girl Volume 1</a></b>  <b>YA F UNBEATABLE</b>  Doreen Green, aka Squirrel Girl, is a college freshman with the appearance, speed, and agility of a squirrel. Turns out it's difficult to be both a superhero and a normal college student...</p>
<b>Phelan, Matt</b>	<p><b>Snow White</b>  <b><a href="#">Interlibrary Loan</a></b>  Set during the 1920s, this graphic novel retelling of Snow White trades magic mirrors for ticker tape and seven dwarfs for seven orphans.</p>
<b>Reed, MK</b>	<p><b>Science Comics: Dinosaurs: Fossils and Feathers</b>  <b><a href="#">Interlibrary Loan</a></b>  The issue of Science Comics covers the history of Paleontology, covering the 150 years scientists have dedicated to learning about dinosaurs and how our theories about them have changed over the years.</p>
<b>Reeder, Andrew</b>	<p><b><a href="#">Moon Girl and Devil Dinosaur, Vol. 1: BFF</a></b>  <b>YA F MONTCLARE</b>  Lunella is a preteen super genius who wants to change the world-but learned the hard way that it takes more than just big brains. Fearful of the monstrous inhuman genes inside her, life is turned upside down when a savage, red-scaled tyrant is teleported from prehistoric past to a far-flung future we call today. The pair are many things, and together the most amazing Marvel Team-Up.</p>
<b>Samanci, Ozge</b>	<p><b>Dare to Disappoint</b>  <b><a href="#">Interlibrary Loan</a></b>  Ozge Samanci comes of age in Turkey during the 1980s and 1990s – as the country is torn between its traditional religious heritage and the brave, new, secular, westernized world. Similarly, Ozge struggles to find herself, floundering between her parents' hopes and dreams and her own definition of happiness.</p>

<b>Teer, Samuel</b>	<b>Veda Assembly Required</b> <a href="#">Interlibrary Loan</a> Like Mowgli and Bod, orphan girl Vega lives apart from humanity, underneath a factory floor. Raised by robot machinery, she learns she has a wonderful gift, she has learned the language of machines.
<b>Wade, Mark</b>	<b>Archie v. 1: The New Riverdale</b> <a href="#">Interlibrary Loan</a> Archie is reborn for the 21 <sup>st</sup> century with a new modern twist, while still managing to keep the boy-next-door charm of the original series.
<b>Wilson, Sean Michael</b>	<b>Lafcadio Hearn's The Faceless Ghost and Other Macabre Tales from Japan</b> <a href="#">Interlibrary Loan</a> A beautifully illustrated collection of traditional tales of Japanese folklore.
<b>Reading List for Grades 9-12</b>	
<b>Author</b>	<b>Title, Call Number &amp; Brief Description</b>
<b>Aaron, Jason</b>	<b>Thor: Goddess of Thunder v. 1</b> <a href="#">Interlibrary Loan</a> Something dark has befallen the God of Thunder, leaving him unworthy of Mjolnir! But when Frost Giants invade Earth, the hammer will be lifted by a mysterious woman who is transformed into an all-new version of the mighty Thor! Who is this new Goddess of Thunder? Not even Odin knows, but she may be Earth's only hope.
<b>Albuquerque, Rafael</b>	<b>Ei8ht v. 1: Outcast</b> <a href="#">Interlibrary Loan</a> Fast-paced and exciting, this tale covers everything from the prehistoric past to a Dystopian future. A fantastic Science-Fiction story.
<b>Allison, John</b>	<a href="#">Giant Days Vol. 1</a> <b>YA F ALLISON</b> During the first week of college, Susan, Esther, and Daisy become close friends.
<b>Brown, Box</b>	<b>Tetris: The Little Game That Took Over the World/The Games People Play</b> <a href="#">Interlibrary Loan</a> An intriguing look at the creation and history of the uber-popular game, from it's birth behind the Iron Curtain to its journey around the world.
<b>Burandt, Jeffrey</b>	<b>Odd Schnozz and the Odd Squad</b> <a href="#">Interlibrary Loan</a> Liz, Bodey, Maude, and Justine's band, Odd Schnozz and the Odd Squad, are sure to win this year's Battle of the Bands. But when a talking chimp, who claims to be a scientist from the mysterious organization B.L.A.N.K., interrupts their practice session, the band's got a whole new set of problems.
<b>DeConnick, Kelly Sue</b>	<b>Captain Marvel: Stay Fly</b> <a href="#">Interlibrary Loan</a> Volume 2 of Kelly Sue DeConnick's run of Captain Marvel launches Carol Danvers and Rocket Raccoon spaceship first into action. Cats, blackmailers, and new romances test Captain Marvel.
<b>Gage, Christos</b>	<b>Lion of Rora</b> <a href="#">Interlibrary Loan</a> The story of Joshua Janavel, the farmer freedom fighter, whose fight inspired the Protestant Reformation and, in turn, the American Revolution.

<b>Guggenheim, Marc</b>	<b>Stringers</b> <a href="#">Interlibrary Loan</a> Paul and Nick are the guys who shoot the news. Filming car chases, fires, and shootouts in their busted-up rig, they put their lives on the line every night so that the good citizens of Los Angeles can get their daily update. But when a firefight between the LAPD and the MS-13 goes wrong, Paul and Nick find themselves on the run.
<b>Higashimura, Ahuko</b>	<b>Princess Jellyfish: Vol. 1</b> <a href="#">Interlibrary Loan</a> Tsukimi Kurashita has been obsessed with jellyfish since she and her mother envisioned her as a bride with a dress flowing and ruffled like a jellyfish's tentacles. Instead, she now lives with fellow Otaku – non-stylish, antisocial girls with unconventional interests. When they meet a “stylish,” she and her roommates learn that people are more than appearances. Together they become more confident and begin to conquer their fears.
<b>Hirsh, Ananth</b>	<b>Lucky Penny</b> <a href="#">Interlibrary Loan</a> If Penny Brighton can just manage to find a job, a place to live, and a boyfriend, then surely she'll become an actual responsible adult, right?! Unfortunately, this is proving even more difficult than she expected.
<b>Ikeyamada, Go</b>	<b>So Cute it Hurts</b> <a href="#">Interlibrary Loan</a> When twins, Mego and Mitsuru, switch places (and genders) to help each other with some basic teenage crises, hilarity ensues.
<b>Maberry, Jonathan</b>	<b>Rot &amp; Ruin: Warrior Smart</b> <a href="#">Interlibrary Loan</a> Benny, Nix, and the rest of the gang are hunting for a mysterious plane while trying to make their way through the rot and ruin, avoiding zombies and other characters whose motives are less than pure.
<b>Maier, Corinne</b>	<b>Einstein</b> <a href="#">Interlibrary Loan</a> Explores the life of one of the greatest scientists of the twentieth century, Albert Einstein.
<b>Morvan, Jean-David</b>	<b>Omaha Beach on D-Day</b> <a href="#">Interlibrary Loan</a> The story of Robert Capa's heroic photojournalism on the beaches of Normandy during the D-Day invasion, the loss of the photos and Capa's life and death in Indochina.
<b>Myers, Walter Dean</b>	<b>Monster</b> <a href="#">Interlibrary Loan</a> The award winning novel is done justice by the black and white comic book style panels. Both new readers and fans of the story will love this retelling.
<b>Okushou and Watanabe</b>	<b>Real Account</b> <a href="#">Interlibrary Loan</a> When Ataru Kashiwagi finds himself sucked into the social media site that is the only indulgence he allows himself, his life suddenly becomes all too exciting as he must manage to retain at least one follower or it all comes to an end, both on and off-line!

<b>Ottavariani, Jim</b>	<b>The Imitation Game: Alan Turing Decoded</b> <a href="#">Interlibrary Loan</a> Mathematician, Alan Turing's journey through the invention of the decoding device which helped crack German transmissions during WWII. Which pioneered the invention of the modern day computer.
<b>Panetta, Kevin</b>	<b>Zodiac Starforce: By the Power of Astra</b> <b>YA F ZODIAC</b> A group of teenage girls with magical powers according to their zodiac signs fight monsters, evil, and everyday student life.
<b>Riggs, Ransom</b>	<b>Hollow City: The Graphic Novel: The Second Novel of Miss Peregrine's Peculiar Children</b> <b>741.59 CAS</b> Jacob Portman and the other students have fled the army of the terrible monsters only to find themselves at sea. Ms. Peregrine could help if she weren't trapped in the form of a bird.
<b>Robbie, Thompson</b>	<b>Silk Vol. 1: Sinister</b> <b>741.59 THO</b> Silk is back and working with bad girl Black Cat? After being bit as the same radioactive spider as Peter Parker, Silk must juggle her superhero adventures with her 'normal' life; all while trying to take down the Goblin King and figure out what happened to her brother and parents.
<b>Russell, Mark</b>	<b>Prez: Corndog-in-Chief</b> <b>Available on Hoopla</b> Meet Beth Ross, Corndog Girl and the first teenaged President of the U.S. In a nation where corporations can run for office, the poor are used as human billboards, and tacos are delivered by drone, does our new President have what it takes to overthrow the real leaders of the U.S.?
<b>Takano, Ichigo</b>	<b>Orange Vol. 1</b> <a href="#">Interlibrary Loan</a> Takamiya Naho gets a letter from her future self, warning her to avoid certain things she will regret later. All of the things have to do with the new transfer student who has just arrived at her school.
<b>Tanaka, Etsuro</b>	<b>The Manga Guide to Physiology</b> <a href="#">Interlibrary Loan</a> Readers join Kumiko as she trains for a marathon and learns about the workings of the human body.
<b>Vaughan, Brian K.</b>	<b>Paper Girls</b> <b>Available on Hoopla</b> Four newspaper girls, in the early morning hours after Halloween 1988, come together against bullies, time-travelers, alien creatures and their own fears in this sci-fi adventure.
<b>Voloj, Julian</b>	<b>Ghetto Brother: Warrior to Peacemaker</b> <b>Available on Hoopla</b> A biography of Benjy Melendez, a Bronx legend who founded the Ghetto Brothers gang in the 1960s. He managed to turn his neighborhood and gang from one drugs, poverty and violence to a positive place that fostered the emergence of hip-hop.

**Waid, Mark**

**All-New, All-Different Avengers: The Magnificent Seven**

**YA F AVENGERS**

The Avengers have disbanded. Iron Man, Captain America, Thor, and Vision have gone solo. They come together again when the people of Earth are threatened by an enemy from beyond the stars. Joining them are Ms. Marvel, Nova, and Spiderman. The new team struggles to find their balance as they take on a very powerful foe.